

SCHERTZ POLICE DEPARTMENT
APARTMENT CRIME PREVENTION TIPS FOR RESIDENTS

Apartment Safety:

- 1. Know your neighbors*
- 2. Be on the lookout for suspicious activity or individuals*
- 3. Make sure you lock your doors and windows. Two locking devices per door/ window are recommended. Check with your apartment manager regarding replacing or upgrading your locks.*
- 4. Check the lighting around your apartment to make sure it is working. Report any broken lights or dark areas to the property manager.*
- 5. Remember that burglars will take advantage of an open door, window or sliding door. Do not leave valuables visible from your windows so that those passing by can easily see them.*
- 6. Consider adding motion detector audible alarms to your windows or doors.*
- 7. Check out any home improvement type store and see what inexpensive items are available to upgrade your apartment security.*

Vehicle Theft Prevention:

- 1. Lock your vehicle when parked.*
- 2. Remove any valuable items and do not use your car for storage.*
- 3. Do not lend your keys to someone else.*
- 4. Consider adding an anti-theft device to your vehicle. Check with any automotive type store to see what is available.*
- 5. If you do not have assigned parking, vary where you park your car so that no pattern can be established.*
- 6. Be on the lookout for vehicles that look unattended or abandoned and report them to the property manager.*
- 7. Do not leave your car running while you check your mailbox or do other “quick” things requiring you to leave your car unattended.*

Common Areas:

Always be aware of your surroundings when doing the laundry, getting the mail, putting out the trash, etc.

Avoid people or situations that make you feel uncomfortable.

Report any safety concerns you notice to the property manager.

Schertz Emergency Number is 911 Non Emergency is 619-1200